

CITY COUNCIL CDBG FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FY 2005/06

PUBLIC SERVICES

	Applicant	Program Description	Priorities	2005-06 Staff Recom.	2005-06 CAC Recom.	2005-06 City Council Recom.
1	Alum Rock Counseling Center	24/7 mobile crisis response and intervention counseling	2	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
2	Asian American Recovery Svcs.	Substance Abuse Prevention - Youth/Families	2	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
3	Catholic Charities	Long Term Ombudsman Prgm.	1	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
4	Catholic Charities	Shared Housing/Single Parents	3	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
5	City of Milpitas-Recreation Svcs.	After School Stay & Play Program	2	\$5,000	\$5,700	\$5,700
6	City of Milpitas-Recreation Svcs.	Camp Stay and Play	2 & 4	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
7	City of Milpitas-Recreation Svcs.	Recreation Assistance Program	1,2,4	\$5,627	\$5,000	\$5,000
8	Emergency Housing Consortium	Emergency Housing for Homeless	3	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
9	Filipino American Opp. Developmnt	Educational, Counseling, Case Mgt Svcs for Filipinos	1	\$5,000	\$0	\$0
10	Filipino Youth Coalition	Prevention and intervention services for youth	2	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
11	India Community Center	Community Services Center	1	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
12	Live Oak Adult Day Services	Recreation, Companionship & Meals for Disabled Seniors	1	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
13	Milpitas Food Pantry	Provide emergency food to very low income people.	1	\$15,000	\$14,927	\$14,927
14	Milpitas Unified School District	Special Education Services - Handicapped Teens	2	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
15	Next Door Solutions	Solutions to Domestic Violence	5	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
16	The O Foundation	Youth prev. & intervention servs - athletic scholarship prog.	2	\$0	\$0	\$0
*** 17	Project Sentinel	Tenant/Landlord Dispute Resol. & Fair Housing Assist.		See Below	See Below	See Below
18	Santa Clara Family Health Found.	Healthy Kids Program	2	\$0	\$0	\$0
19	Second Harvest Food Bank	Self Help Food Asst. Prog. For Very Low Income Seniors	1	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
20	Senior Adults Legal Assistance	Free Legal Services for Seniors in SC County	1	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
21	Support Netwrk-Battered Women	Comprehensive Services for Battered Women	5	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
22	Vietnamese Voluntary Foundation	Citizenship for Seniors	1	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000
TOTALS				\$100,627	100,627	100,627

*** (\$15,000 to Project Sentinel out of General CDBG Administration.)

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City Council 2003-05 Priorities

Public Service Priorities - 1) Senior Services, 2) Youth Teen Services, 3) Homeless Sheltering / Services, 4) Child Care, 5) Battered Women Sheltering / S

Non-Public Service Priorities - 1) Home Repair / Rehabilitation, 2) Affordable Housing, 3) Rental Apartment Rehabilitation

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NON-PUBLIC SERVICES

	Applicant	Program Description	Priorities	2005-06 Staff Recom.	2005-06 CAC Recom.	2005-06 City Council Recom.
23	City of Milpitas - Interim Sr. Cr.	Roof	1	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
24	Econ. & Social Opportunities	Hsng and Energy Services for Low & Very Low Income Res.	1	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$60,000
25	EHG - Our House	Rehab & Const Expansion - Our House - Emerg Shelter	1	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000
26	Milpitas Hsng Rehab Loan Prog	Hsng Rehab Assist for Low & Very Low Income Residents	1	\$321,055	\$321,055	\$321,055
27	Milpitas Parents Preschool	Playground Renovation	2	\$0	0	0
28	Teen Nightclub	Teen Parents	2	\$0	0	0
TOTALS				\$436,055	\$436,055	\$436,055

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IX.
Public Hearing

a. Review of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding Priorities for FY 2006-2008.

Gloria Anaya, Sr. Housing and Neighborhood Preservation Specialist gave a presentation on this item. She stated the last time funding priorities were adopted by City Council was October 21, 2003. The next CDBG funding cycle will be in February 2006. In accordance with HUD guidelines, the City of Milpitas has used its CDBG funding allocation for Public Services and Non-Public Services. During the next fiscal years 2006-2008, the City of Milpitas would anticipate receiving \$670,000 annually in CDBG funds. Since October 2003, the following priorities have been established:

Public Service

1. Senior Services
2. Youth Teen Services
3. Homeless Sheltering / Services
4. Child Care
5. Battered Women Sheltering / Services

Non-Public Service

1. Home Repair / Rehabilitation
2. Affordable Housing
3. Rental Apartment Rehabilitation

During the last CDBG funding cycle, FY 2005-06 the following issues arose

1. The City's Recreation Assistance Program received less funding than the previous year due to HUD's reduced funding. At the April 19, 2005, CDBG funding allocation public hearing, the City Council expressed a desire to maintain a permanent CDBG funding source for City programs.
2. Recently it has been brought to staff's attention by Project Sentinel, the City's Fair Housing provider, that Milpitas provides the least amount of funds to support Fair Housing and Tenant/Landlord activities. Several cities in Santa Clara County provide funding for Fair Housing Services from a portion of their Redevelopment Agency 20% Low-Income Housing Set-Aside Funds.

For the past 6 years, we have funded Fair Housing Activities out of the 20% CDBG Program Administration at a level of \$15,000. According to a survey, at \$15,000, the City of Milpitas provides the least funding for Fair Housing activities in Santa Clara County. The next smallest allocation is the City of Gilroy at \$40,000.

To address the above concerns, staff recommends the following two changes to the CDBG policies:

- To annually reserve 25% of the Public Services funding be allocated to City Programs & services only. This would ensure that City Programs are funded accordingly and also reduce General Fund expenditures. Anaya added that the public services cap is 15% of the total grant, so for example; if the City's total grant is \$670,000, 15% is \$100,500, and reserving 25 % of those funds for City Programs would be \$25,125.
- To address the second concern with Project Sentinel, staff recommends that in addition to the \$15,000, an annual allocation of \$10,000 from the Redevelopment Agency 20% Low-Income Housing Set-Aside Fund be used to fund Fair Housing and Tenant/Landlord services. This would increase funding from \$15,000 to \$25,000

Staff recommends that the Commission open the public hearing, take public testimony, close the public hearing, and recommend that the City Council maintain the current established funding priorities for FY 2006-2008 with two policy changes: 1) annually reserve 25% of public services money to fund City programs only and 2) recommend City Council/Redevelopment Agency authorize the use of \$10,000 annually to fund Fair Housing/Tenant Landlord activities.

Commissioner Queenan asked if funds would decrease. Staff stated that it is possible as CDBG allocations to Cities change annually based on available HUD funds. Ms. Anaya stated that funding Project Sentinel at \$15,000 for the past several years has not impacted the 15% cap; as Fair Housing/Tenant Landlord services have been funded out of the 20% CDBG Program Administration fund. So as long as we can continue to fund these services from the General Program Admin, we will still free up the full 15% of Public Services monies to fund other agencies.

Chair Ranker asked about the annual RDA allocation of \$10,000, if it brings it up \$25,000 is that adequate. Ms. Anaya stated that cities have different needs, increasing the allocation to a more equitable amount will result in the agency been able to increase the level of services that is provided to our residents and to the City of Milpitas.

Craig Ranker opened the public hearing.

Martin Eichner, Project Sentinel Director of Mediation and Counseling Program, 1055 Sunnyvale-Saratoga Rd. – Emphasized that Gilroy allocated \$49,000 this year as part of their recognition. Project Sentinel is proposing to provide Milpitas a higher level of service and supportive services in recognition of the City's efforts to fund their program more completely. They are offering to do more work, more cases, participate in the Fair Housing Task Force, and offer workshops for Milpitas residents.

Jeanna Cardinale, Grants Coordinator, Second Harvest Food Bank, 750 Curtner Ave. – She thanked the Commission for their support for Operation Brown Bag, which serves Milpitas' low-income seniors. Once a week, seniors receive a bag of groceries. In doing this it helps the seniors off set their living costs of medical bills, housing related costs. This also provides a socialization opportunity and volunteer opportunity. They also receive a quarterly newsletter related to seniors. The program serves 340 households in Milpitas.

Dale Flunoy, Youth Development Coordinator, City of Milpitas – He stated he is happy with staff's recommendation to set aside 25% for the recreation programs. All three-recreation programs run out of money by the 3rd quarter. Chair Ranker asked if their allocated funds for this year would carry them to the fourth quarter. Mr. Flunoy stated that the money would take them pretty close to the end of the fiscal year in June.

MOTION to close the public hearing.

M/S: Lind, Lee

Ayes: 8

MOTION to approve staff's recommendations.

M/S: Lind, Queenan

Ayes: 8